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In Re Application of:

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PRIOR Examiner: A. CHIN SHUE

For: COMPOSITE SCAFFOLDING PLANK AND METHOD OF FORMING SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is presented prior to examination. Please enter the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

CANCEL CLAIMS 1-10 WITHOUT PREJUDICE AND

ADD NEW CLAIMS:

45.(NEW) A method/for forming a scaffolding plank from two or more wooden boards, comprising:

positioning a plurality of wooden boards in side to side abutment, each of said wooden boards including two sides and a lengthwise direction, each of said sides being flat and having a height and said height being the smallest dimension of said wooden boards;